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DPW CREWS ARE WORKING OVERTIME TO REPAIR POTHOLE *MORE THAN 2300 POTHOLE FILLED LAST WEEK*

INDIANAPOLIS – Department of Public Works (DPW) crews and the private contractors have made tremendous progress since the asphalt plants opened last Monday. But there are many more potholes to address and they're working overtime to make the repairs. Crews are working 12-hour shifts, 7:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m. this week. Today, there are 18 DPW crews filling potholes in Marion County. DPW will continue to concentrate on the main thoroughfares while the private contractors repair potholes in the residential areas. Today, there are at least 40 private contractors repairing potholes in Pike, Franklin, Warren, Center, and Washington Townships.

Last week, DPW crews and private contractors completed 2,363 pothole service requests. The number of potholes represented by each service request can vary from one to a dozen. Prior to the start of the City's aggressive attack on potholes, from February 2nd –March 6th, DPW completed on average 676 pothole service requests a week.

The crews are using hot asphalt—this results in a more permanent solution to the pothole repair process. Regional paving contractor Rieth-Riley opened its two asphalt plants Monday, March 7th, earlier than usual at the City's request to have access to the hot asphalt.

Residents and commuters can report potholes by visiting www.indy.gov/pothole to access RequestIndy. They can also call the Mayor's Action Center, 327-4MAC.

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